



BIOGRAPHY

CIVIL AIR PATROL



COLONEL JOHN M. EGGEN

Colonel John Eggen's prior assignment was to NHQ as the National Governmental Affairs Officer. Col Eggen is actively involved in promoting the objectives, and purpose of the Civil Air Patrol, establishment of Plans and Programs, and as the Arizona Wing Commander strives to achieve the goals, and objectives, established by the NHQ and the Region. As the National Governmental Affairs Officer, he worked directly with the National Director of Governmental Affairs, federal elected officials, and Civil Air Patrol National Headquarters to effect and increase funding and Congressional support. As the Arizona Wing Commander and Legislative Liaison Officer he continues to work with in the state political system to develop and increase support and funding for the Arizona Wing to give it the ability to effectively and safely complete the missions assigned. He also works to ensure that agencies and public through out the state are aware of what a critical and cost effective asset the Civil Air Patrol is and how it supports, and insures, the security of the State of Arizona, and our nation.



Col Eggen is a graduate of the Civil Air Patrol Senior Officer Course, Squadron Leadership School, Corporate Learning Course, Unit Commander Course, Regional Staff College and National Staff College. He has served in operational and staff assignment as Squadron Aerospace Education Officer, Assistant Public Affairs Officer, Squadron Reports Officers, Assistant Recruiting Officer, Wing External Aerospace Education Officer, Squadron Commander, Group Commander and Staff member at National Staff College.

Col Eggen holds a Commercial Pilot License with Airplane Single & Multi-Engine Land rating and Instrument rating with 760 hrs as Pilot in Command. He is a CAP transport pilot, Mission and Counter Drug Observer and Scanner, Mission Radio Operator and Red Cross Emergency First Responder. He holds a Master rating in Aerospace Education and has achieved Level V and the Gill Robb Wilson Award #2460 in the Senior Member Professional Development program.

MILITARY SERVICE: United States Air Force 26 July 1962 to 25 July 1968 (Honorable Discharge)

EDUCATION: 1969-1971 attended Arizona State University Tempe, Arizona

ASSIGNMENTS

1. 1974 – 1975 Member (unassigned) Squadron 206 Prescott, Arizona
2. 1975 – 1989 Member (unassigned) 161st Senior Aero Sq, San Gabriel Valley Group 15, California
3. 15 May 2003 - 04 Aug 04, Assistant Aerospace Education Officer, Senior Sq #314, Scottsdale, Arizona
4. 02 June 2003 - 01 Jan 06, Assistant Public Affairs Officer, Senior Sq #314, Scottsdale, Arizona
5. 04 Aug 2004 - 01 Jan 06, Aerospace Education Officer, Senior Sq #314, Scottsdale, Arizona
6. 04 Oct 2004 – 30 Oct 06, External Aerospace Education Officer, Arizona Wing, USAF Auxiliary
7. 01 Jan 2005 – 01 Jan 06, Reports Control Officer, Scottsdale Cadet Sq #310, Scottsdale, Arizona
8. 01 Jan 2005 – 01 Jan 06, Assistant Aerospace Education Officer, Scottsdale Cadet Sq #310, Scottsdale Arizona
9. 01 Jan 2005 – 01 Jan 06, Assistant Recruiting Officer, Scottsdale Cadet Sq. #310, Scottsdale, Arizona
10. 15 Mar 2005 – Present, Legislative Liaison Officer, Arizona Wing, USAF Auxiliary
11. 12 June 2006 – Present, Commander Arizona Legislative Squadron #999 Arizona Wing, USAF Auxiliary
12. 30 Oct 2006 – 01 May 07, Commander Group IV, Arizona Wing, USAF Auxiliary
13. 01 Mar 07 – 31 Dec 07 Assigned to NHQ as National Governmental Affairs Officers
14. 01 Jan 08 – Assigned as Arizona Wing Commander

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Commanders Commendation with Four Bronze Clasps
Gill Robb Wilson Award #2460
Paul E. Garber Award
Grover Loening Aerospace Award
A Scott Crossfield Award
Brigadier General Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager Aerospace Education Award
Certificate of Proficiency
Red Service Award
Leadership Award with Silver Star
Encampment Ribbon
Membership Award

(CAP) EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant 01 March 1974
First Lieutenant 14 April 2003
Lieutenant Colonel 31 March 2005 (assigned as Arizona Wing Legislative Liaison Officer)
Colonel 01 January 2008 (assigned as Commander Arizona Wing)

(Current as of January 2008)